Filed by:

Merits Panel Interference Trial Section Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences United States Patent and Trademark Office Mail Stop Interference PO Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Filed: 5 May 2004

Tel: (703) 308-9797 Fax: (703) 305-0942

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

HIROSHI HAMAMOTO, YOSHINORI SUGIYAMA, NORIAKI NAKAGAWA, EIJI HASHIDA, SUGURU TSUCHIMOTO, NORIYUKI NAKANISHI, YUJI MATSUNAGA,

> and YOSHIMI OKADA

Junior Party, (Patent 5,618,699),

MAILED

MAY - 5 2004

PAT & T.M OFFICE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

THOMAS H. TURPEN, STEPHEN J. REINL, and LAURENCE K. GRILL

> **Senior Party** (Application 09/057,016).

Patent Interference No. 105,149

Order – Rule 662

Before: SPIEGEL, MOORE, and POTEATE, Administrative Patent Judges.

MOORE, Administrative Patent Judge.

JUDGMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.662

Upon consideration of Paper 18 (Request for Adverse Judgment) and the disclaimer of claims 16 and 17 of Patent 5,618,699 by junior party HIROSHI HAMAMOTO, YOSHINORI SUGIYAMA, NORIAKI NAKAGAWA, EIJI HASHIDA, SUGURU TSUCHIMOTO, NORIYUKI NAKANISHI, YUJI MATSUNAGA, and YOSHIMI OKADA, it is hereby:

ORDERED that judgment on priority as to Count 1 (Paper 1, page 6), the only count in the interference, is awarded against junior party HIROSHI HAMAMOTO, YOSHINORI SUGIYAMA, NORIAKI NAKAGAWA, EIJI HASHIDA, SUGURU TSUCHIMOTO, NORIYUKI NAKANISHI, YUJI MATSUNAGA, and YOSHIMI OKADA.

FURTHER ORDERED that junior party HIROSHI HAMAMOTO,
YOSHINORI SUGIYAMA, NORIAKI NAKAGAWA, EIJI HASHIDA, SUGURU
TSUCHIMOTO, NORIYUKI NAKANISHI, YUJI MATSUNAGA, and YOSHIMI
OKADA is not entitled to a patent containing claims 16 and 17 (corresponding to Count
1) of patent 5,618,699.

FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this paper shall be made of record in files of application 09/057,016 and patent 5,618,699.

FURTHER ORDERED that if there is a settlement agreement, attention shall be directed to 35 U.S.C. § 135(c), 37 CFR § 1.661, and 37 CFR §1.666.

CAROL A. SPIEGEL

Administrative Patent Judge

)

Only BOARD OF PATENT

Administrative Patent Judge) APPEALS

Administrative Patent Judge) INTERFERENCES

LINDA R. POTEATE

Administrative Patent Judge

)

May 5, 2004 Arlington, VA cc: (via Fax and US Mail)

Attorney for HAMAMOTO:

Peter D. Olexy, Esq. SUGHRUE MION PLLC 2100 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW WASHINGTON, DC 20037

Tel: 202- 293-7060 Fax: 202-293-7860

Attorney for TURPEN:

Jonathan Alan Quine, Esq. QUINE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW GROUP P.C. 2033 CLEMENT AVENUE, SUITE 200 ALAMEDA, CA 94501

Tel: 510-337-7871 Fax: 510-337-7877